FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. S. 336

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TO: The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Causing Death by a Vehicle While Driving Illegally

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

Minimal (Some additional costs expected but can be absorbed)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 336 amends Article 23, Chapter 5, Title 56 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Sections 56-5-3010 and 56-5-3020 which establish the offenses of causing Death by a Vehicle while Driving Illegally and causing Great Bodily Harm by Vehicle while Driving Illegally. The Bill also provides for penalties for these offenses.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

<u>**Iudicial Department**</u>

The Department indicates this Bill will have a minimal impact on the General Fund of the State, which can be absorbed by the agency at the current level of funding.

Other Agencies

The Department of Public Safety and the Department of Corrections state that this Bill would have no impact on the General Fund of the State or on Federal and/or Other Funds.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

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None.

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